REMARKS

Prior to this amendment, claims 1-37 were pending in the application, with claims 1-20 constructively elected. Applicant has cancelled withdrawn claims 21-37 so that only claims 1-20 remain in this application. It is believed that this amendment complies with Examiner's requirement to place the claims of the present application in condition for allowance and subsequently suspend the pending application.

Applicant further submits the documents requested by the Examiner in the April 18, 2007 Office action: (1) a Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor that contains the declaration language required under 37 C.F.R. 1.175, (2) a Reissue Application: Consent of Assignee; Statement of Non-Assignment signed by the assignee, and (3) a Statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) establishing assignee's ownership of the reissue application.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and therefore suspension, and requests that the application be suspended until the claims in the newly-filed divisional application (Serial No. 11/649,396) are deemed allowable, at which point they will be rejoined with the suspended claims of this application.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if he has any questions.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence, and accompanying documents, is being sent via first class mail to Mail Stop AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on May 10, 2007.

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